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SUBJ: INVENTORY OF DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION/TREATMENT PROGRAMS FOR

**OVERSEAS AMERICANS** 

REF: A. TEHRAN 1882 B. STATE 42917

- 1. AS INDICATED IN REFTEL A, AMERICAN COMMUNITY IN TEHRAN HAS NOT YET BEEN ABLE TO GET A DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION/TREATMENT PROGRAM TOGETHER, THOUGH NEED FOR A COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER IS RECOGNIZED. A HOT LINE, HOWEVER, WILL BE IN OPERATION IN ABOUT ONE WEEK.
- 2. REPLY TO POINTS RAISED IN PARA 3, REFTEL B, IS MADE IN CONFIDENCE THAT A PROGRAM, MORE APPROPRIATE TO THE NEED WILL BE INITIATED IN COMING MONTHS.
- (A) AND (B) N/A.
- (C) FACILITY WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE STABLISHED TO SERVE NEEDS OF ENTIRE RESIDENT AMERICAN COMMUNITY, UNOFFICIAL AND OFFICIAL (INCLUDING DOD), PLUS FEW HOST COUNTRY NATIONALS AND THIRD COUNTRY NATIONALS. ANTICIPATE AGE GROUP 14-18 WOULD CONSTITUTE 75 PERCENT OF CLIENTEL.
- (D) SERVICES WOULD BE MAINLY PROFESSIONAL COUNSELLING AND MENTAL HEALTH EDUCATION ACTIVITIES.
- (E) DURING CALENDAR YEAR 1974 APPROXIMATELY 10,000 DOLLARS WAS RAISED LOCALLY FOR A YOUTH COUNSELLING FACILITY, BUT NO FEDERAL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FUNDS WERE RECEIVED.

(F) ESTIMATE ABOUT 15,000 AMERICANS IN TEHRAN AT PRESENT, OF WHICH ROUGHLY 170 ARE STATE, 120 OTHER OFFICIAL NON-MILITARY, AND 3,450 DOD. SCHOOL AGE AMERICAN CHILDREN IN TEHRAN NOW NUMBER ABOUT 3,430. THERE ARE PROBABLY ANOTHER 5,00 AMERICANS ELSEWHERE IN IRAN. TOTAL NUMBER OF AMERICANS IN IRAN EXPECTED TO GROW DURING NEXT FEW YEARS AT ANNUAL RATE OF 20 PERCENT.

(G) TO INITIATE KIND OF PROGRAM NEEDED WOULD PROBABLY REQUIRE 40,000 DOLLARS, MOST OF WHICH TO BE RAISED LOCALLY.

(H) WASHINGTON SUPPORT WOULD PROBABLY BE NEEDED TO LOCATE PROFESSIONALLY QUALIFIED PROGRAM DIRECTOR AND OCCASIONAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN COUNSELLING AND COMMUNITY RELATIONS FIELDS.

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